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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT IZ

SUBJ: WHEREABOUTS OF SADDAM HUSSEIN

1. PERIODIC RUMORS CONCERNING WHEREABOUTS OF RCC VICE CHAIRMAN SADDAM HUSSEIN ARE CIRCULATING IN DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY. HIS ABSENCE DURING PAST TEN DAYS WAS PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE SINCE HE DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN VISITS OF CHAD PRESIDENT AND ROMANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

2. ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO APPARENT RELATIONSHIP, SWISS CHARGE HAS ADDED TO RUMOR MILL BY INFORMING US THAT FOREIGN MINISTER ABDUL BAQI IS ON VISIT TO SWITZERLAND FOR UNKNOWN PURPOSE WITH SIX COLLEGUES FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY. VISIT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH SWISS GOVT.  
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